

IN HONOR OF MR. JOSE SANTOS
AS THE 2006 RECIPIENT OF THE
ESTEEMED FULBRIGHT AWARD

HON. PETE SESSIONS

OF TEXAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, May 14, 2007

Mr. SESSIONS. Madam Speaker, I rise to pay special tribute to Mr. Jose Santos, an outstanding individual from Dallas and recent recipient of the Fulbright award. Mr. Santos was chosen to receive the prestigious award to study, lecture or conduct research abroad during the 2006–2007 academic year after demonstrating high academic achievement studying Anthropology at Southern Methodist University.

Sponsored by the U.S. Department of State, Bureau of Education and Cultural Affairs, the Fulbright Award is America's leading international exchange program. Congress established the Fulbright Program in 1946 with the intention of fostering mutual understanding between United States citizens and the rest of the world. The Fulbright Program has since provided avenues of academic exchange with over a quarter of a million people in more than 150 countries worldwide. Surely the recipient of such an esteemed award does not lack merit.

Mr. Santos was chosen for his high academic and professional achievement, as well as his exemplary leadership in his field. Mr. Santos' accomplishments thus far have been truly impressive and for that I wish to recognize him here on the floor of the U.S. House of Representatives.

It is my honor to recognize Mr. Santos as the recipient of the Fulbright award, and I know I speak for all of Dallas when I say that we are very proud of his successes. I wish Mr. Santos the very best in all of his endeavors both at home and abroad.

IN RECOGNITION OF THE OUTSTANDING SERVICE AND RESPONSE TO THE EMERGENCY WORKERS WHO HELPED ELIZABETH FORWARD HIGH SCHOOL ON MAY 3, 2007

HON. TIM MURPHY

OF PENNSYLVANIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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Mr. TIM MURPHY of Pennsylvania. Madam Speaker, in times of crisis, all too often those who risk their own safety and go beyond the call of duty remain unknown and unrecognized. Today I want to recognize those who have helped in a moment of need. On May 3, 2007, tragedy befell Elizabeth Forward High School and in their moment of need, their guardian angels responded in the form of emergency rescue workers from the police and five different hospitals.

On what was supposed to be an exciting and memorable trip, 29 students, seven parents and four staff members from the school were traveling on the Pennsylvania Turnpike about 30 miles outside Philadelphia on their way to a band competition in Wildwood, NJ. At around 4:30 on a peaceful morning, as most of the students slept in their seats, a slow

moving tractor trailer moved into the way of the bus.

The bus could not stop nor move out of the way in time and the two collided. The accident awoke the students to the sight and sound of a nightmare as the truck and bus stuck together and skidded out of control for over 400 feet before finally coming to a stop.

Emergency rescue workers raced to the scene to find the two vehicles had become stuck together in one giant jigsaw puzzle of twisted steel, a site that closed the turnpike until the situation could be fully assessed. By the grace of God, none of the students were critically injured; however, all needed thorough examination to treat wounds and help those needing medical treatment. The students, parents, and staff members were sent to 5 hospitals in the area.

An unexpected tragedy occurring in an unfamiliar area far away from home is a nightmare, and for Elizabeth Forward High School, this nightmare became reality. But their guardian angels went above and beyond the call of duty to ensure their safety, treat the injured, and communicate to the families the situation each of their children faced while assuring their safety.

I would like to extend my most heartfelt thanks and praise to all of those involved in the protection of our students. I would like the Congressional Record to reflect that the emergency workers in these organizations are truly heroes deserving of our most sincere appreciation: The Pennsylvania State Police, Brandywine Hospital, Chester County Hospital, Paoli Hospital, Reading Hospital and Medical Center, St. Joseph Medical Center, TA Nelson Bus Line.

ON THE EXTRAORDINARY PUBLIC SERVICE OF FRANK LEONE

HON. SCOTT GARRETT

OF NEW JERSEY

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, May 14, 2007

Mr. GARRETT of New Jersey. Madam Speaker, I rise today to commend Frank Leone on the occasion of his 80th birthday for his extraordinary public service.

Frank Leone's service to his country, his community, and his neighbors dates back to World War II when he was drafted into the U.S. Navy. He served as a flight deck crewman on the aircraft carrier USS *Kearsarge*, a ship his father had helped to build during the war. He remains an active member of the Oakland American Legion and Franklin Lakes VFW.

In 1954, Frank Leone moved to Oakland and became an active part of that Bergen County community. He ran for mayor in 1960 and was elected to the Borough Council in 1963. He served as the president of the Chamber of Commerce for 12 years. Frank Leone also served as Civil Defense Director and Emergency Management Coordinator. His long record of extraordinary service to his community was honored in 2001 as the Grand Marshal of Oakland's Memorial Day Parade.

In 1965, President Lyndon Baines Johnson appointed Frank Leone as Oakland Postmaster. Today, he is the last active postmaster in the Nation appointed by the President of the United States. He has served in

various State and national offices of the National Association of Postmasters.

Frank Leone is a shining example of citizenship and dedication to your community. It is an honor to share in the celebration of his 80th birthday.

SUPPORTING THE GOALS AND IDEALS OF A NATIONAL SUFFRAGISTS DAY

HON. BETTY MCCOLLUM

OF MINNESOTA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, May 14, 2007

Ms. MCCOLLUM of Minnesota. Mr. Speaker, I rise today in support of H. Con. Res. 105, to honor women suffragists with a National Suffragists Day.

On July 19, 1848, at the Seneca Falls Convention, now famous suffragists, Lucretia Mott and Elizabeth Cady Stanton made one of the first public appeals for women's right to vote. This convention launched a more than 70 year fight for suffrage, which culminated with women gaining the right to vote in 1920 with the adoption of the 19th Amendment to the U.S. Constitution.

Without the dedication, commitment, and hard work of women suffragist pioneers like Mott, Stanton, Susan B. Anthony, Sojourner Truth, and Alice Paul, our country would not have the first female Speaker of the U.S. House of Representatives or more women elected to Congress than ever before.

I am proud to be a cosponsor of H. Con. Res. 105, to honor the women suffragists who changed this country. Their bravery continues to inspire young women today to take an active role in government and to use their voices to make a difference.

I urge my colleagues to join me in supporting the goals and ideals of a National Suffragists Day.

HONORING THE CHILD ASSAULT PREVENTION (CAP) PROJECT OF SOUTH FLORIDA

HON. ILEANA ROS-LEHTINEN

OF FLORIDA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, May 14, 2007

Ms. ROS-LEHTINEN. Madam Speaker, I would like to call your attention to the Child Assault Prevention (CAP) Project of South Florida, whose efforts on behalf of so many families in my Congressional district should be applauded. This program has partnered with local schools in Miami-Dade County, Florida, the fourth largest school district in the country, to address the growing number of social issues affecting our children.

Many social challenges facing students today are felt away from home, oftentimes in the classroom. By offering interactive workshops at local schools, students gain an understanding of how to deal with situations they have already faced or may soon encounter. These circumstances range from instances of bullying and peer aggression to cases of sexual harassment and abuse. Often times, these topics are not comfortable for students to deal with, making CAP's role vital for the social well-being of our children.